

EXHIBIT A

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Subject: Re: Mot. for stay, to expedite in D.C. Cir. Case 23-1174 (Rio Grande)

John, as part of our request to expedite, we plan to propose the changes we suggested on December 20, with no changes to the proof briefs, but:
Joint Appendix -- move from March 11 to March 8
Final Briefs -- move from March 25 to March 18

On Thu, Feb 1, 2024 at 2:00 PM Longstreth, John <john.longstreth@klgates.com> wrote:
Nathan, can you also let us know if you are seeking any expedition on the briefing schedule, and if so on what basis?
Rio Grande will oppose any requested stay.

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On Feb 1, 2024, at 14:37, Robert Solomon <robert.solomon@ferc.gov> wrote:

Nathan, thank you. When do you intend to file, and how much time do you anticipate for responses? We are filing merits briefs in the two cases on Feb. 5 and 12. Bob

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Counsel--

Now that FERC has denied petitioners' request for an administrative stay, petitioners again intend to move for a FRAP 18 stay and to expedite the case pursuant to D.C. Circuit Handbook VIII.B. While I assume that FERC's position has not changed since December, please let me know your clients' positions on both requests.